

Proceedings
of
THE TRAVANCORE SRI MULAM ASSEMBLY.

THIRD ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION—1945/1120.

(OFFICIAL REPORT.)

Tuesday the 31st July 1945/16th Karkadagom 1120.

The Assembly met again in the Legislative Chamber; Public Offices at 12 noon with Sir C. P. Ramaswami Aiyar, K. C. S. I., I. C. I. E., LL. D., Dewan-President, in the Chair.

NEW MEMBERS.

The following members took the oath and signed the rolls :—

1. Mr. K. R. Narayana Aiyar (*Director of Agriculture*).
2. Mr. S. Parthasarathi Aiyangar (*Inspector General of Police*).

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Ayurveda Department

233 *MR. K. G. KESAVAN NAIR (*Changanacherry cum Peermade*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) whether they have received a representation from the public for the establishment of an Ayurveda Hospital at Ponkunnam;

(b) what steps have been taken in pursuance of that representation;

(c) whether there is a separate Board of Examiners to conduct Ayurveda Public Examinations; and

(d) if so, who are the members thereof?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER (*Secretary to Government*): (a) Yes.

(b) It is pending local enquiry.

(c) Yes.

(d) The names of members of the Board of Examiners are confidential.

MR. K. G. KESAVAN NAIR: May I know from the honourable member by whom the local enquiry is being made?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER: By the Director of Ayurveda.

MR. K. G. KESAVAN NAIR : May I know what are the requisite conditions which have to be satisfied preliminary to the establishment of a hospital?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER : The general requirements are that there shall not be any other medical institution in the neighbourhood.

Ayurvedic Sale Depot.

234 *MR. N. D. PARAMESWARAN NAMBOODIRI (*The Travancore Jemmes-North*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government maintain an Ayurvedic sale depot; and

(b) the approximate cost of medicines sold per day in that depot in 1118, 1119 and 1120?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER : (a) Yes.

	Rs.	Ch.	O.	
(b) 1118	14	25	11	
1119	9	22	4	
1120	9	0	0	(average for the period till the end of Mithunam)

MR. N. D. PARAMESWARAN NAMBOODIRI : May I know the reason for this fall in sale during 1119 and 1120?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER : The sale depends upon the demand of medicine and there is no special reason for the decline.

MR. N. D. PARAMESWARAN NAMBOODIRI : May I know whether there is a shortage of medicine compared with the previous years?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER : That may perhaps be one of the reasons.

MR. N. D. PARAMESWARAN NAMBOODIRI : May I know whether steps are being taken to increase the production of Ayurvedic medicines?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER : The honourable member knows that at present there are difficulties in getting the necessary vessels and drugs and so the department is not in a position to manufacture all the required medicines.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Thiruvalla*) : May I know whether the shortage in sale is due to the inefficacy or inferiority of the medicines sold in the Depot?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER : No, not due to the inefficacy.

MR. R. MADHAVAN NAIR (*Karunagapalli cum Karthikapalli*) : May I know whether any contract has been given for the manufacture?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER : No contracts have been given.